



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

**Day of Play**

**WHEREAS**, Nickelodeon, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, the President's Council on Fitness, Sports & Nutrition, and the National Park Foundation, are celebrating the Day of Play, and ensuring that today's generation of children becomes one of the healthiest; and

**WHEREAS**, the rates of childhood obesity continue to rise at alarming rates; and

**WHEREAS**, today's children and adults don't get as much physical activity as they should; and

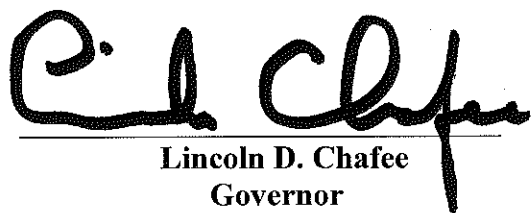
**WHEREAS**, nutritious diets and physical activity are an important component to living a healthy lifestyle and reducing disease; and

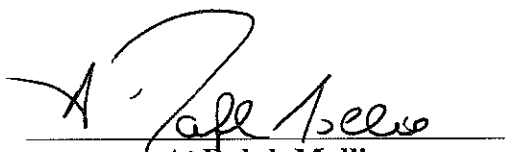
**WHEREAS**, Rhode Island is committed to working to support children in becoming the healthiest generation; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee**, Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, do hereby proclaim September 24, 2011 as Day of Play in the State of Rhode Island and encourage all state residents to recognize the importance of this day.



Given under my hand and the great  
seal of the State of Rhode Island  
and Providence Plantations,  
this 23<sup>RD</sup> day of September, 2011

  
Lincoln D. Chafee  
Governor

  
A. Ralph Mollis  
Secretary of State